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SUBJECT:

1. FOLLOWING FOR POST'S INFORMATION ARE EXCERPTS OF FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE IN WASHINGTON POST MAY 24 BY WALTER PINCUS AND ROBERT G. KAISER HEADED "CLARK FEARS REVIVED ROLE IN ANGOLA" (FULL TEXT BEING POUCHED ADDIS):

2. BEGIN EXCERPTS:

IT WAS LEARNED YESTERDAY THAT CARTER'S DEPUTY NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISER, DAVID AARON, AND ADM. STANSFIELD TURNER, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, CALLED ON (SEN. DICK) CLARK EARLIER THIS MONTH TO DISCUSS THE TRANSFER OF U.S. ARMS THROUGH THIRD PARTIES TO ANGOLAN AND ETHIOPIAN GROUPS FIGHTING SOVIET AND CUBAN-SUPPORTED FORCES.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS U.S. AID WOULD BE TO TIE DOWN THE CUB-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ANS IN THOSE TWO COUNTRIES AND MAKE THEM RELUCTANT TO ENTER THE GUERRILLA WAR IN RHODESIA, THOSE OFFICIALS REPORTEDLY TOLD CLARK....

BEFORE TURNER VISITED CLARK, BRZEZINSKI'S DEPUTY, AARON, CALLED ON THE SENATOR TO TALK ABOUT POSSIBLE INDIRECT AID

FOR ERITREAN REBELS FIGHTING THE ETHIOPIAN ARMY SUPPORTED BY CUBAN TROOPS AND SOVIET EQUIPMENT. AARON ALSO MENTIONED POSSIBLE NEW U.S. AID TO ANGOLA, BUT ONLY VAGUELY, A SOURCE SAID.

(WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY JODY) POWELL SAID LAST NIGHT THAT AARON'S VISIT WAS FOR "A GENERAL DISCUSSION ABOUT AFRICA," AND THAT AARON DID NOT "PRESENT ANY PROPOSAL TO CLARK" FOR NEW U.S. AID....

THE WASHINGTON POST REPORTED LAST FRIDAY THAT THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION HAD BEEN WORKING FOR TWO MONTHS ON A PLAN TO FUNNEL ARMS AND EQUIPMENT THROUGH OTHER COUNTRIES TO AFRICAN GUERRILLA FORCES FIGHTING CUBAN AND OTHER SOVIET-BACKED TROOPS IN ETHIOPIA AND ANGOLA.

APPARENTLY, THAT WAS THE PLAN TURNER PRESENTED TO CLARK EARLIER THIS MONTH.

CLARK'S REFUSAL TO ACQUIESCE PRECEDED BY SEVERAL DAYS THE FIRST PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS OF FRUSTRATION BY THE ADMINISTRATION ABOUT "RESTRICTIONS" ALLEGEDLY IMPINGING ON PRESIDENTIAL FREEDOM OF MANEUVER IN AFRICA....
END EXCERPTS. VANCE

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